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SUBJECT : PORT CONGESTION SURCHARGE; BAHRAIN

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1. HARBOR MASTER AT BAHRAIN'S PORT OF MINA SULMAN REPORTS THAT 25 OF 39 SHIPS BERTHED DURING MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 1974 WERE DELAYSD, WTIIH AVERAGE DELAY PER VESSEL BERTHER OF 5.0 DAYS.

DISCOUNTING TIME SPENT UNDER REGISTRATION AWAY FROM BAHRAIN, HOWEVER, AVERAGE DELAY WAS ONLY 3.5 DAYS. SITUATION DETERIORATED TOWARD END OF MONTH, AND VESSELS BERTHING IN OCTOBER CAN EXPECT LONGER DELAYS.

2. HARBOR MASTER HAS RECEIVED TELEGRAM FROM U.S. EAST COAST-GULF CONFERENCE ANNOUNCING RAISE IN PORT CONGESTION SURCHARGE TO 25 PERCENT EFFECTIVE NOV 4, 1974. HE NOTES THAT U.K. CONFERENCE SURCHARGE ALSO RAISED TO 25 PERCENT.

3. GOVERNMENT HAS FORMED SPECIAL CABINET COMMITTEE UNDER UNCLASSIFIED

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MINISTER OF DEVELOPMENT AND ENGINEERING SERVICES SHIRAWI TO

LOOK INTO CONGESTION. COMMITTEE WILL EXAMINE ALL ASPECTS OF PROBLEM.

4. STUDY FOR PROPOSED PORT EXPANSION WAS SUBMITTED TO GOB BYNJONSULTANT RENDAL, PALMER AND TRITTON DURIME AUGUST 1974. APIROVAL EXPECTED SOON.
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